

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: ASBESTOS PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

This document relates to:

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| | : | CIVIL ACTION |
| 02-2635 SHIRK | : | NO. MDL 875 |
| 02-2735 WATSON | : | |
| 02-2736 HOOD | : | |
| 02-2737 HART | : | |
| 02-2738 JOHNSON | : | |
| 02-2681 SHIRK | : | |
| 02-2845 KINIUK | : | |
| 02-3166 HRYCYK | : | |
| 02-3168 GREEN | : | |
| 02-3169 SAKEWICZ | : | |
| 02-3170 HENDRICKS | : | |
| 02-3171 PALMER | : | |
| 02-3172 BERRY | : | |
| 02-3175 SOLOMON | : | |
| 02-3176 ROMANOWSKI | : | |
| 02-3177 O'DONNELL | : | |
| 02-3448 HARTMANN | : | |
| 02-3449 ROCKS | : | |
| 02-3450 REED | : | |
| 02-3451 GAMBLER | : | |
| 02-3452 MACAULEY | : | |
| 02-3630 ALIBERT | : | |
| 02-3631 VISCO | : | |
| 02-3632 DANCSECS | : | |
| 02-3847 HAMMOND | : | |
| 02-3848 POTTER | : | |
| 02-4095 SMITH | : | |
| 02-4096 SEARFOSS | : | |
| 02-4097 GEARINGER | : | |
| 02-4101 FRYE | : | |
| 02-4339 MEYER | : | |

O R D E R

The Court having been advised that the issues raised in each of these actions are also presently pending before the Honorable District Court Judge Alfred Wolin. Judge Wolin has been specially designated to sit in the District of Delaware and preside over these matters. Further, the Judge has set a schedule and will proceed appropriately. In the interest of judicial economy and for a prompt resolution of all outstanding issues this Court will hold its action in abeyance and await the ruling by the Bankruptcy Court.

IT IS THEREFORE THE ORDER OF THIS COURT that all pending motions for abstention and remand are denied without prejudice at this time with leave to renew at a later date. The cases are administratively dismissed, subject to reinstatement following the determination of the bankruptcy issues by Judge Wolin and any subsequent appeals thereto.

Done this 5th day of August, 2002.

BY THE COURT

Charles R. Weiner, SJ